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Steve Buckley, Internal Communications (N2551) Marketing & Multimedia Development Branch 5720 Integrity Drive, Millington, Tenn., 38055-6580, (901) 874-6593/DSN 882, steve.buckley@navy.mil PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS...In January, Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC) purchased memberships in two professional organizations, the Armed Forces Recreation Society (AFRS), a branch of the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA), and the International Military Community Executives Association (IMCEA). Many installations Navy-wide took advantage of this centrally-funded purchase to provide discounted training opportunities, publications, research and many other benefits derived from these professional organizations. The following information will further explain the types of memberships in each organization:

The AFRS/NRPA membership purchased by CNIC is known as a group membership. It is a "special package" membership for military and includes up to three professional members at no additional cost. The group membership does allow the installation to add any number of professional members at the discounted rate of \$80 each. These additional memberships may be purchased by the individual employee, or with NAF or APF dollars if purchased by the department. (Check BU-PERSINST 1710.11C, para 320 for guidance.) The NRPA/AFRS membership roster lists the three professional memberships as the "primary contact," as well as the "other professional members." Since these memberships are transferable within the installation, the "primary contact" must contact NRPA/AFRS to update their group membership roster. This would occur whenever a member leaves your base, transfers to an organization outside MWR, or otherwise has a change of job status. If you have a group membership for your base, it's in the best interest of your organization to take advantage of the three professional memberships available to you. Contact the NRPA/AFRS at www.nrpa.org to learn more about membership, training and conferences, and other benefits of this organization.

The primary membership in the IMCEA is known as a "position membership." Under the "umbrella" of the position membership are the "regular members." CNIC purchase the "position membership" and up to two "regular memberships." Additional regular memberships cost \$25 per person and may be purchased by the employee or by the department using NAF or APF dollars. (Check BUPERSINST 1710.11C, para 320 for guidance.) There is no limit to the number of regular memberships under the "position membership." The benefits of the position membership and the regular membership remain at the installation. If the individuals named on the IMCEA roster should leave that base or otherwise have a change in job status, the memberships remain with the base. It is the responsibility of the "position member" to notify the IMCEA of any changes to the membership status. Contact the IMCEA at www.imcea.com to learn more about the opportunities and benefits awaiting its members.

If your department and/or professionals are not members of either of these organizations and would like to become one, send an e-mail to the appropriate point of contact below, providing the following info:

- 1. Installation name and department mailing address;
- 2. Name, job title, mailing address, phone and e-mail address of primary contact (NRPA/AFRS) or position member (IMCEA); and
- 3. Names, job titles, mailing address, e-mail address and phone number of up to two additional members.

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MEDIA & RESOURCE

35mm Movie Program

WHAT IS THE MPAA?.. The Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA) serves as the voice and advocate of the American motion picture, home video and television industries. One of their tasks is to develop and maintain a system of ratings for movies, providing parents with advance information about movies so that they can decide what movies they want their children to see. The ratings are decided by a full-time Rating Board located in Los Angeles. There are 8-13 members of the board who serve for periods of varying length. They work for the Classification and Rating Administration, which is funded by fees charged to producers/distributors for the rating of their films.

G: "General Audiences-All Ages Admitted."

This is a film which contains nothing in theme, language, nudity and sex, violence, etc., which would, in the view of the Rating Board, be offensive to parents whose younger children view the film. Some snippets of language may go beyond polite conversation, but they are common everyday expressions. No stronger words are present in G-rated films. The violence is at a minimum. Nudity and sex scenes are not present; nor is there any drug use content.

PG: "Parental Guidance Suggested. Some Material May Not Be Suitable For Children."

The label PG plainly states that parents may consider some material unsuitable for their children, but the parent must make the decision. There may be some profanity in these films. There may be some violence or brief nudity. But these elements are not deemed so intense as to require that parents be strongly cautioned beyond the suggestion of parental guidance. There is no drug use content in a PG-rated film.

PG-13: "Parents Strongly Cautioned. Some Material May Be Inappropriate For Children Under 13."

A PG-13 film is one which, in the view of the Rating Board, leaps beyond the boundaries of the PG rating in theme, violence, nudity, sensuality, language or other contents, but does not quite fit within the restricted R category. Any drug use content will initially require at least a PG-13 rating. In effect, the PG-13 cautions parents with more stringency than usual to give special attention to this film before they allow their 12year-olds and younger to attend.

R: "Restricted, Under 17 Requires Accompanying Parent Or Adult Guardian."

In the opinion of the Rating Board, this film definitely contains some adult material. An R-rated film may include hard language, tough violence, nudity within sensual scenes, drug abuse or other elements, or a combination of some of the above.

NC-17: "No One 17 And Under Admitted."

This rating declares that the Rating Board believes that this is a film that most parents will consider patently too adult for their youngsters under 17. No children will be admitted. NC-17 does not necessarily mean "obscene or pornographic." The reasons for the application of an NC-17 rating can be violence, sex, aberrational behavior, drug abuse or any other elements which, when present, most parents would consider too strong and therefore off-limits for viewing by their children.

For more information, visit www.mpaa.org, or contact Joyce Ann Parker, (901) 874-6535/DSN 882, joyce.parker@navy.mil.

8mm Video Tape Program COMMON VIDEOTAPE PROGRAM QUESTIONS...

Q: I have two copies of a particular movie. Is that normal?

A: Navy Motion Picture Service (NMPS) ships only one copy of each movie to each account. If you have a second copy, report the discrepancy immediately via phone, fax or e-mail. Be sure to provide the barcode numbers for each tape. NMPS will verify which copy belongs to you.

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Q: I did not get last month's shipment. Is there a problem? A: NMPS ships about 750 boxes of tapes each month. If you do not receive a shipment, NMPS will begin USPS tracer actions 60 days after shipment. Notify your post office that an insured package has not arrived and that you are looking for it. If is not found, NMPS will file a postal claim and replace it.

Q: I have a damaged tape. How can I get a replacement? A: The procedure for replacing a damaged tape is simple. Return it with a note wrapped around the tape marked "Damaged: Please Replace" and NMPS will send you another copy.

Q: How does NMPS keep track of all the tapes?

A: Each tape is labeled with a barcode number that identifies that specific copy. The barcodes are scanned as the tapes are packed in the monthly shipment, and the tapes are then listed on your semi-annual inventory. These numbers are unique. If the barcode number on the tape's spine label does not match the inventory, notify NMPS immediately. Do not cover or deface the barcode. The outer plastic case can be used again to number the tapes in your library, but do not cover the barcode.

The answer to these and other questions can be found in the "NMPS Videotape Program Guides" at www.mwr.navy.mil, or by contacting Ed McGrath, (901) 874-6532/DSN 882, ed.mcgrath@navy.mil.

Naval General Library Program

CULTUREGRAMS AVAILABLE ON NKO...CultureGrams. a database of reports on more than 187 countries and all 50 U.S. states, is now available at Navy Knowledge Online (www.nko.navy.mil). The report, which include a one-of-a-kind perspective on daily life and culture along with background, customs and lifestyle information, are written and reviewed by in-country experts and are updated each year.

The CultureGrams online database includes unlimited printing rights, along with exclusive online features such as a worldwide photo gallery, a famous people collection and unique recipes. CultureGrams also includes a "Kids Edition," which explores 68 countries and provides detailed information in a child-friendly format.

The Navy General Library Program (NGLP) provides access to Econtent on NKO. The NGLP mission is to ensure Sailors have access to information 24/7 worldwide. For more information, contact Nellie Moffitt, (901) 874-6711/DSN 882, nellie.moffitt@navy.mil.

CHILD & YOUTH PROGRAMS

CYP CONFERENCE UPDATE... The Child and Youth Program conference has been rescheduled for

Nov. 27 – Dec. 1. The location is the same: Orlando, Fla. More information to follow.

NEW AND IMPROVED CYP WEB SITE... The new CYP Web site is designed to be a better resource for managers and customers and features "real time" information. Three different "portals" are available for customers, CYP professionals and CNIC professionals. The customer and CYP professional portals are currently operational. Later this summer, parents will be able to request child care through the Web site.

MILITARY SAC CREDENTIAL... The Council for Professional Recognition has a Military School Age Care (SAC) credential, similar to the Child Development Associate (CDA) national credentialing program.

Candidate eligibility requirements include:

- Must work in a Military SAC program and be observed working as the program lead.
- Must be able to be observed by all members of the Local Assessment Team while working with school age children.
- Must have completed the DoD Foundation Level Individual Development Plan (Navy Modules including all knowledge and competency assessments).
- Must have completed additional training that the trainer and candidate agree upon for further improvement.
- Must be a current Military School Age program assistant or CDH provider, or approved specialized volunteer at the time of the Local Assessment Team meeting.
- Must have had, within the past five years, at least 480 hours of experience working with school age children in an organized military or civilian equivalent program.

For more information or application material, contact Vivian Escobar, Council for Professional Recognition, at (202) 265-9090 or viviane@cdacouncil.org.

OPEN RECREATION CLARIFICATION... When is a program School Age Care (SAC) and when is it open recreation? SAC is designed to meet the needs and child care requirements for working parents. In the past, programs have allowed parents to use open recreation to meet their childcare needs. However, open recreation does not have the level of accountability

necessary to ensure children's safety and to protect the command and MWR from liabil-

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At one base, 6-year-olds were dropped off by the school bus, walked a half-mile to the youth center, where they signed themselves into open recreation and signed themselves out when their parents called. There was no accountability for these children after school, but the command/MWR ultimately assumed the potential liability.

The bottom line is that children under the age of 10-12 (depending on the home alone policy) should not be allowed into open recreation without a parent/guardian signing them in and out. If a child is not old enough to be left home alone, then they are not old enough to sign themselves in and out of the center.

DOD COMBATING MILITARY CHILD CARE SHORT-

AGE... The Department of Defense is focused on meeting the growing need in the military for child care services. Although about \$450 million is spent on child care services each year, DoD's Office of Children and Youth estimates that there is a current need for more than 30,000 additional child care spaces.

DoD is responding to the shortage with a push to provide more child care spaces using a variety of approaches, including cooperating with civilian child care centers and building new centers. DoD has earmarked \$92 million in funding to build new child care centers, and is working with military services to come up with solutions. The \$92 million is part of emergency supplemental funds from Congress, and is estimated to provide 35 military bases with more than 4,000 spaces at child development centers within the next year. The initiative cuts the need for spaces to about 27,000, according to Jan Witte, DoD Office of Children and Youth director.

"We're really excited about the initiative," says Witte, who points out that the department is using a multi-pronged approach to provide more spaces, including new construction and the use of modular buildings. As part of this DoD expansion initiative, Navy CYP will be opening new centers in Norfolk, Hawaii and San Diego.

CSP LEGAL OFFICE

PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED BY A CONTRACTOR...It should be made clear

to the contractor that they are responsible for the loss, damage or destruction of their owned or leased property or equipment. Such equipment might include tools, special gear and musical instruments.

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Even if the contractor is given permission to store their owned or leased equipment on MWR premises, they must understand that they do so at their own risk. Claims for damages will be honored only when ordered by the local claims adjudicating authority.

ASSUMPTION OF LIABILITY UNDER CONTRACT... As a reminder, MWR activities, as parties in any contracts, must not assume the liability of other parties in a contract. This also applies when the MWR activity agrees to allow the contractor to operate its MWR vehicle as part of the contract. If the contractor is involved in an accident and damages the MWR vehicle, the contractor must absorb the cost to repair the damaged MWR vehicle. More importantly, if the MWR activity fails to require the contractor to have automobile insurance, the local MWR activity will be required to absorb the cost to repair its MWR vehicle. Under no circumstances should the MWR activity relieve the contractor of their legal liability for which they would rightfully be responsible. It is required that all contracts that are binding on the MWR activity have commercial general liability (CGL) insurance, as well as automobile insurance. For more information,

MARINAS

NAVY MWR COMMITTED TO CLEAN POC: Dave Mitchell (901) 874-6651/DSN 882, dave.mitchell@navy.mil

MARINA INITIATIVE...CNI's goal for the MWR marina program is to have all marinas located in states with a Clean Marina Program to achieve certification by the end of FY06.

The Clean Marina Initiative is a voluntary program promoted by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and state organizations, that encourages marina operators and recreational boaters to protect coastal water quality by engaging in environmentally-sound operating and maintenance procedures. The aim of the Clean Marina Program (CMP) is prevention. While CMPs vary from state to state, all programs offer information, guidance and technical assistance to marina operators, local governments and recreational boaters on best management practices to prevent or reduce pollution.

Navy marinas that have achieved certification include Boca Chica Marina, NAS Key West; Mulberry Cove Marina, NAS Jacksonville; Point Patience Marina, NRC Solomons; Fiddler's Cove Marina, NB Coronado; U.S. Navy Sailing Center, NB Point Loma, NAVSTA Norfolk Marina, NAVSTA Norfolk; and Little Creek Cove Marina, NAB Little Creek.

Marinas located in states which currently have a CMP or are about to implement a CMP should immediately begin the application process for inspection and certification. For more information, visit the Clean Marina Program Web Site at

www.cleanmarinas.noaa.gov.

GOLF

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PREFERRED VENDOR OPPOR-TUNITIES COMING THIS

FALL...In order to take better advantage of the buying power of our combined golf courses, Navy MWR is evaluating proposals by leading golf manufacturers to offer new and improved terms for MWR courses. The terms of the preferred vendor agreements should mirror those of the largest management companies in the country. We anticipate agreements with suppliers of nearly all golf shop retail products and supplies: clubs, balls, shoes, apparel, headwear, towels, bag tags, divot tools, scorecards and more.

Contracting with these vendors will not be mandatory and each facility will maintain discretion of the brands and products they choose; however, the agreements will ensure that each course is eligible for the very best terms available in the industry. The scope of the agreements will include special demo clubs, new opportunities for off-price goods, discounted set up and embroidery fees, fitting systems and, most importantly, improved discounts.

Navy MWR expects to roll out the exact terms and names of the retail partners in the fall, and is striving to create a list of vendor partners that represents all appropriate price points. Field golf professionals are encouraged to provide the names of manufacturers they would like to have included.

FOOD & BEVERAGE

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NAVY MWR OPENS...CNIC's MWR division has celebrated the opening of the following facilities:

Mean Gene's Burgers and Pizza opened in March in the newly renovated Cannon Point location at Naval Support Facility, Diego Garcia. Revenues averaged \$1,400 per day in March. Mean Gene's Burgers and Pizza are part of the Hot Stuff Foods, Inc., portfolio.

Rocky Colletti's Pizza opened in March at the Rack-N-Roll Lanes at SUBASE Kings Bay, Ga. On the menu are various pizzas, breadsticks and calzones, which complement the existing snack bar menu. Rocky Colletti's is part of the Schwan's Food Service, Inc., portfolio.

A C-Street Café opened in March on the second floor of Club Alliance, aboard Commander Fleet Activities, Yokosuka, Japan. Menu items include burgers, salads and wraps, as well as Italian Garden pizza and several appetizers. C-Street Café is part of the Hot Stuff Foods, Inc., branded concept portfolio.

Navy MWR currently has more than 100 branded concepts in all types of venues worldwide. If you have questions or require additional information, visit www.mwr.navy.mil, Business Activities section, then click on Branded Food Concepts.

IMCEA LAUNCHES RE-DESIGNED WEB SITE...The International Military Community Executives Association (IMCEA) recently launched their redesigned Web site, www.imcea.com.



INFORMATION, TICKETS & TRAVEL

ITT ACCOUNTING IN THE 21ST CENTURY...Paying ITT vendors by electronic funds transfer (EFT) is the quickest and most efficient way for vendors to receive their payments. Besides reducing transactional costs associated with check payments, the new RecTrac-AIMS/SAP interface will require that all vendors be paid electronically.

The new interface will send AIMS/SAP all the necessary information relating to ticket and voucher sales for a particular vendor. This information will be used to automatically pay the vendor the amount they are owed.

To take advantage of this payment method, contact your regional business office to obtain the necessary form to record the banking information of new and existing vendors. Recording their email address or fax number will allow the software to automatically transmit to the vendor the remittance advice that explains each payment.

Help MWR reduce its costs and improve efficiency by ensuring that the vendor bank details are obtained and the correct search term (ITT Prepaid, ITT Consign, ITT MTV or Services) is selected.

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ITT CONFERENCE 2006,... "An American Journey," will be held Sept. 9-14 in Washington, D.C., and Williamsburg, Va. Registration will be \$145 per participant. Supplemental training on the new features of the Australian Web site will be available Sept. 8 at the Army MWR Training Academy in Alexandria. Register for both at

https://learnmwr.persnet.navy.mil.



FINANCE

ANNUAL PAYROLL VERIFICATION-**TION...**While the requirement to verify employees by having them sign to receive their check or leave and earnings statement once a year has changed, there is a continuing need to ensure that all persons receiving checks are valid employees. The following options are acceptable procedures to fulfill the annual requirement to verify employees:

Use a hardcopy payroll report from ADP to verify employees. Have each employee sign or initial beside their name and pay information. The signed report will serve as the official record of the annual verification.

Use a printed employee report from the SAP HR system as the source document for the verification and follow the procedure listed above.

Use employee leave and earning statements by turning off the IPAY service for one pay period and having employees sign a verification form when the leave and earning statements are distributed. For additional information, contact Deborah DuPuy, (901) 874-6539/DSN 882, deborah.dupuy@navy.mil, or Roger Moore, (901) 874-6590/DSN 882, roger.moore1@navy.mil.

REMINDER FOR SUBSIDY PRO-GRAM PARTICIPANTS...Child Development Home (CDH) providers are contractors that provide a service of homebased care for infants, pre-toddlers and toddlers. Subsidies issued to these providers qualify as taxable income to the provider and must be reported on a "1099 miscellaneous" form. The minimum amount reportable on the 1099 miscellaneous form remains at \$600. Please ensure that all CDH providers that meet the limit minimum are issued a 1099 miscellaneous form. Additional information can be obtained at www.irs.gov/businesses/small/industries/

APF AUTHORIZED FOR CATEGORY "C" ACTIVITY UTILITIES...U.S.C..

article/0..id=98419.00.html.

Title 10 Chapter 147, para 2494, approved 23 December 2004, authorized the use of Department of Defense appropriations to be used to fund utilities for all MWR categories. The Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) implementing guidance was issued as part of DODI 1015.15, change 2, of 25 May 2005.

The OSD policy precludes utility support for CONUS golf courses other than at locations designated as remote and isolated. Utilities are defined as heat, steam, wa-

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ter, gas, electricity, air conditioning and other utility services for buildings on military installations authorized to be used for MWR and NAFI purposes.

Theoretically, category "C" utilities should be funded from the BOS utility account, just as category "A" and "B" utilities are funded. Regional MWR program managers should talk with their regional comptrollers regarding this new APF authorization. Several regions have requested UFM cost centers in category "C" programs; however, MWR should only use the dwindling APF resources as programmed for core programs indicated in the CBB budget.

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HUMAN RESOURCES

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES... Navy Knowledge On-Line (NKO) now provides access to Ninth House, which contains award-winning, media-rich courses that deliver a wealth of information in an engaging, entertaining and interactive way that enables learning by experience. If you think that online learning is not for you, this may be your moment of conversion.

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The content is based on the in-depth, real-world knowledge of today's foremost thinkers in leadership development, such as Ken Blanchard, Tom Peters, and Peter Senge. In addition to many other training industry awards, the Ninth House content was recently designated by Forbes magazine as the "Forbes Favorite" for executive education. This free training opportunity is an incredible way to jump start your leadership, management and career skills.

Courses Include:

- · Managing Change
- · Navigating Change
- Resolving Interpersonal Issues
- Situational Leadership® II
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- Reframing Change
- **Building Community**
- Capturing Brand YouTM
- Forging Breakthroughs
- **High Impact Hiring**
- Innovation: WOW! ProjectsTM
- Partnering for Results
- Self Management
- Virtual Teams

To access Ninth House, visit http://www.nko.navy.mil (click on the "leadership" tab on the top of the NKO page, then scroll down, on the left).

MISSION ESSENTIAL

MAKE TIME FOR **FAMILIES IN THE**

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FITNESS CENTER...Because a "fit" family is a happier family, Navy MWR fitness professionals should set some time aside each week to specifically address families performing physical activities together in the fitness center. This can be done by scheduling family times during slower times in the fitness centers. As an example, host a family fitness night every Friday or Saturday night, when patron counts are typically lower.

Family fitness night does not have to involve a long block of time. Two hours is more than enough for many families to come into the gym and perform some type of physical activity, whether they use weights, cardio, basketball, walleyball or racquetball.

By providing time in the MWR fitness center specifically centered on family fitness, younger children and parents will become more active, creating a life change toward fitness.

ONCE A MONTH FITNESS PROMOTIONS...

Other than the standard group exercise and fitness classes that are currently being held throughout the week, MWR fitness professionals should plan one big event each month to promote fitness in the fitness center. The purpose of these once-a-month fitness promotions is to generate awareness for MWR fitness programs and to get our customers excited about fitness. They don't have to be elaborate or expensive, and can be a lot of fun for MWR patrons and fitness professionals.

Start by creating fitness center themes for each month, such as women's fitness month, men's fitness month or "try a new exercise month." Other ideas include hosting an "Iron Chef" cook-off at the fitness center, where different departments or commands cook healthy dishes during lunch hour. A lunch walking club could be created by providing a fitness professional to teach customers about how to get started in a walking program. Or, host "a new way to train day," where patrons are introduced to different ways to train for fitness.

Fleet/Deployed Forces Support

CIVILIANS AFLOAT... Welcome to three new afloat specialists in Norfolk, Va. Recreation specialist Jennifer Young Woodall and fitness specialist Shawn DePew will be reporting to USS Enterprise (CVN 65). Fitness specialist Mary Mollahan will be reporting to USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69). There are currently 25 afloat fitness and recreation specialists in the fleet, with seven of them deployed overseas.

FITNESS CENTER REHAB...The CNIC

Fleet/Deployed Forces Support section is working with the Fleet/Deployed Forces Support Mid-Atlantic to completely renovate the fitness center spaces aboard USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75) in Norfolk, Va. Construction is expected to be finished in June.

LIBERTY PROGRAM

GENERATION Y: IT'S ALL ABOUT YOU...

Registration materials for the Liberty and Deployed Forces Support Conference were emailed at the beginning of April to all MWR

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directors, deployed forces support personnel, commanding officers with afloat personnel on staff, and Liberty Program coordinators. The package can also be downloaded at www.mwr.navy.mil, on the Mission Essential Branch page.

This conference, which will be held in Millington, Tenn., Aug. 21-25, will be jammed packed with information on managing programs for Generation Y. The registration deadline is July 14. Make arrangements today to send your Liberty and Fleet Recreation Coordinators. There are no registration expenses for this conference; however, travel and per diem are the responsibility of each command.

TEXAS HOLD'EM TOURNAMENTS... are one of the most popular activities in Liberty Centers. While the games are fun and exciting, they can tempt customers to put green backs on the table. These tournaments are for recreational purposes only and not for any kind of financial gain. The Coast Guard legal staff has developed a policy statement on Texas Hold'em Tournaments, which is available online at www.mwr.navy.mil, Liberty section. BUPERS Instruction 1710.11C, section 304 c.2 Monte Carlo, also provides guidance on activities played exclusively for entertainment.

2006 ALL-NAVY CHESS TEAM ANNOUNCED...Congratulations to PS1 Narciso F Victoria (Naval Support Activity Philadelphia): MM1 Benjamin B. Barquin Jr., (Southwest Region Maintenance Center SWRMC); Capt. John Perciballi, USN, (Naval Hospital Pensacola); PS1 Matthew R. Nemmers (Naval Air Station Fort Worth); STS2(SS) Khristopher Juroshek, (Naval Base Point Loma) and YN3 Joseph K. Dixon USCG, (Maintenance and Logistics Command Atlantic) for being selected to represent the Navy in the Inter-Service Chess Championships at NAS Jacksonville, Fla., in June.

The top six players from this tournament will move on to the 17th NATO Chess Championships in Berkshire, England, later this summer. Chess tournaments are popular in Liberty Centers and can help develop qualified players for this tournament. For more information on building a chess program in your Liberty Center, contact the Liberty Program Office.

NAVY SPORTS POSTER AND POCKET CALENDARS...along with brochures and tent cards, were recently mailed to each Navy MWR office and each Navy ship. Any commands that did not receive calendars or are in need of greater quantities should contact the Navy Sports office. The poster may also be viewed electronically on the Navy Sports Web site at www.mwr.navy.mil/mwrprgms/sports.htm.

Additional Navy Sports articles on page 7.

BOWLING

ARMED FORCES BOWLING CONFERENCE...

The 15th Annual Armed Forces Bowling Conference and International Bowl Expo 2006 will be held at the Hilton Hotel and Convention Center in Las Vegas, June 24-30. A block of rooms at the Hilton is available for the military below the per diem rate. The bowling conference will include the following:

June 20-23 - Facility and Equipment Management Course; June 20-22 - Dick Ritger Coaching Level I, II & III Certification Course;

June 23 - Coach It Up! Presentation;

June 25-27 - 16th Annual IBPSIA Conference & Bowling Coach Summit, which includes the Pro Shop Certification Course, at the Texas Station Hotel and 60-lane bowling center. Room rates are \$50 (Sunday-Thursday) and \$89 (Friday and Saturday):

June 24 - Military Opening Session and branch breakout sessions:

June 26-27 - BPAA Educational Seminars, with former N.Y. Mayor Rudy Giuliani as keynote speaker;

June 28-29 - BPAA Trade Show; and

June 30 - Lane Inspection Workshop.

Registration packets will be mailed in March.

BOWLING CENTER USAGE... and lineage data should be maintained on a daily basis through the center's back-office system, internal control counter system or by using a spread-

sheet. Daily lineage includes open bowling, leagues, tournaments, free and other use, such as warm-up, walka-a-ways and mechanical failure testing. This information is required through BUPERSINST 1710.11C, chapter 21, para-

graph 2105.d. The FY06 data call will begin after Oct. 20.

BOWLING MAINTENANCE SCHOOLS...The 2006 Brunswick GS-Series and A2 Pinsetter Training, Frameworx Scorer and Vector Scorer Maintenance Schools schedules are now available by calling (800) 323-8141 or visiting www.brunswickbowling.com. The 2006 Qubica-AMF Bowling Technical Training School schedules for 82-70 and 90XL Pinspotters are also available. For more information, contact John Isbell at (804) 240-4982, jisbell@amf.com.

USBC LANE CERTIFICATION...The United States Bowling Congress is the only authorized body that inspects and certifies bowling lanes. All USBC (previously ABC/WIBC) certified bowling center certificates expire on Aug. 31. To provide ample time for the USBC to inspect and process the necessary paperwork, new certificates may be issued before the old one expires. Bowling center managers or head mechanics should complete the application process and have the lanes inspected on or before Sept. 1. If you are having problems with certifying your lanes, contact the USBC, 800-514-2695, speci@bowl.com, www.bowl.com.

NAVY SPORTS

THE 2006 ALL-NAVY MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY TEAM...won their first-ever Armed Forces Championship Feb. 16-20, in Bronx, N.Y. Running in the historic Van Cortlandt Park in sub-freezing temperatures, the team dominated the competition. In the 4K division, LTJG Aaron Lanzel (Training Air Wing 4) improved upon last year's silver medal effort by leading the Armed Forces division from start to finish, with a winning time of 11:40. SN William Herman (NMC San Diego) repeated last year's bronze medal effort, finishing the 2.5 mile race in 11:52. In the 12K division, where the top three finishers from each service score, the Navy dominated by finishing second, third and 10th. LT John Mentzer (Naval Postgraduate School) won the silver medal with a time of 37:54. Hot on his heels was LT Jonathan Clemens (Helicopter Anti-Submarine Light Wing Pacific, NAS North Island, Calif.), who won the bronze medal for running 7.5 miles in 37:59.

THE 2006 ALL-NAVY WRESTLING TEAM...recently finished fourth in the 2006 Armed Forces Championship. Navy LT Grant Whitmer (Mobile Security Squadron THREE) won the gold medal in 74 kilogram weight class of the Greco-Roman division.

THE NAVY ALL-WOMEN'S BASKET-BALL TEAM...recently finished fourth in the 2006 Armed Forces Championship. The Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps teams all finished with identical 2-4 records, with each team beating the other two twice: the Navy beat the Marines twice; the Marines beat the Air Force twice; and the Air Force beat the Navy twice. After applying point-spread tiebreakers, the Marine Corps was awarded the silver medal. After the three-way tie was broken for second place, the Air Force was awarded bronze, due to their 2-0 head-to-head record against the Navy.

Two Navy players were named as tournament MVP's: ENS Adrienne Roseti, USS Gary (FFG 51), and YN3 Tija Hopkins, USCGS Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Joining these two athletes on the Armed Forces team were ENS Stephanie Hayes, USS Cowpens (CG 63); IT3 Loni Anderson, USS Rushmore (LSD 47); and AN Tysheeka Simpson, USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70). The Armed Forces team will compete in a National Pro-Am tournament in Las Vegas, April 5-10.

THE ALL-NAVY WOMEN'S RUGBY
TEAM...will compete in the first-ever
Armed Forces Women's Rugby Championship at Camp Lejuene, N.C., Sept.
25-30. The All-Navy training camp

will be held at Naval Station Norfolk, Va., Sept. 15-24. The <u>POC:</u> Donald Golden, (901) 874-6632/DSN 882, <u>donald.golden@navy.mil</u>

Armed Forces event will be a seven-aside competition, with 15 members per team. Athletes and coaches interested in applying for this event must submit their Navy Sports application no later than Aug. 15.

NAVY SPORTS DEALINES...

Applications are currently being accepted for the following sports:

SportApplication DueTraining CampTriathlonMay 21June 21-25Women'sJune 27July 27 – Aug. 19GolfJuly 1Aug. 1-4Men'sSoftballJuly 27Aug. 27 – Sept. 15

Download a Navy Sports application at www.mwr.navy.mil/mwrprgms/sports.htm. After the application has signed by the athlete's commanding officer, it should be faxed to Navy Sports at (901) 874-6831. Navy Sports is still accepting applications from qualified individuals interested in coaching any All-Navy teams. Applications should be submitted two months before the respective sport begins.